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The Honorable Charles W. Dent
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Dent:

On behalf of Administrator Scott Pruitt, thank you for contacting the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding Section 114 of the Clean Air Act (CAA). I have forwarded a copy of your communication to the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA) to review the enforcement concerns you mention. Additionally, as EPA implements Executive Order 13777, we will keep your thoughts in mind as we evaluate regulations that may be appropriate for repeal, replacement, or modification.

On April 11, 2017, EPA established a Regulatory Reform Task Force and launched a robust request for public feedback on its evaluation of existing regulations. Program offices held 11 public meetings to receive input that could inform the regulatory review. We invited more than 200,000 stakeholders to participate and received nearly half a million comments in the public comment docket.

Per your request, we will evaluate and consider the Portland Cement Association's comments which provide a helpful perspective from the business community. EPA regulations should focus on real results without imposing requirements that only drain resources. Furthermore, EPA should use transparent processes that rely on sound science and public input.

Thank you again for your letter and partnership in the work of the EPA. We greatly appreciate your leadership in the House of Representatives and look forward to joining together to make the federal government work better for the American people. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Thea Williams in the EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at williams.thea@epa.gov or (202) 564-2064.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Samantha K. Dravis".

Samantha Dravis
Senior Counsel and Associate Administrator